UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

GREGORIO ROJAS, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

TOP NOTCH FINISHES, INC., et al.,

Defendants.

1:22-cv-10105 (JLR) (JW)

<u>ORDER</u>

JENNIFER L. ROCHON, United States District Judge:

On June 23, 2023, the parties in this action — brought pursuant to the Fair Labor Standards Act ("FLSA"), 29 U.S.C. § 201 *et seq.* — notified the Court that they have reached a settlement. ECF No. 17. By separate Order today, the Court is referring this case to the designated Magistrate Judge for purposes of reviewing and deciding whether to approve the settlement.

In addition, to conserve resources, to promote judicial efficiency, and in an effort to achieve a faster disposition of this matter, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the parties must discuss whether they are willing to consent, under 28 U.S.C. § 636(c), to conducting all further proceedings before the Magistrate Judge. If both parties consent to proceed before the Magistrate Judge, they must, by July 10, 2023, file on the docket a fully executed Notice, Consent, and Reference of a Civil Action to a Magistrate Judge form, a copy of which is attached to this Order (and also available at <a href="https://www.nysd.uscourts.gov/node/754">https://www.nysd.uscourts.gov/node/754</a>). If the Court approves that form, all further proceedings will then be conducted before the Magistrate Judge rather than before the undersigned. Any appeal would be taken directly to the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, as it would be from this Court if the consent form were

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not signed and so ordered. An information sheet on proceedings before magistrate judges is also

attached to this Order.

If either party does not consent to conducting all further proceedings before the

assigned Magistrate Judge, the parties must file a joint letter, by July 10, 2023, advising the

Court that the parties do not consent, but without disclosing the identity of the party or

parties who do not consent. There will be no adverse consequences if the parties do not

consent to proceed before the Magistrate Judge.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all other deadlines in this case are adjourned.

Dated: June 26, 2023

New York, New York

SO ORDERED.

NIFER L. ROCHON

United States District Judge